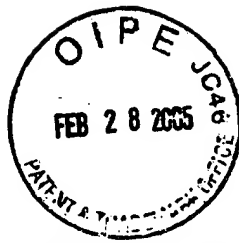


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 23, 2004, setting a three-month shortened statutory period for response, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

Claims 30-35 are pending in the application. Claims 30 and 31 are cancelled, unamended claims 32-35 are pending, and new claims 36 and 37 are submitted. No new matter is added. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims of the application are respectfully requested, in view of the following amendments and remarks.